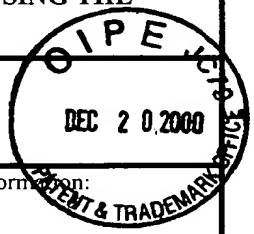


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371				U.S. APPLICATION NO. (IF KNOWN, SEE 37 CFR 09/720235	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP00/02582		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 20/04/2000		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 23/04/1999	
TITLE OF INVENTION OPTICAL FERRULE AND METHOD OF MOLDING THE SAME, AND OPTICAL CONNECTOR USING THE SAME					
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Akito Nishimura, Toru Arikawa, Yasuhiro Tamaki					
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:					
<div>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</div> <div>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</div> <div>3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).</div> <div>4. <input type="checkbox"/> A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.</div> <div>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c) (2))<div>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</div><div>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau.</div><div>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</div></div> <div>6. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).</div> <div>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210).</div> <div>8. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))<div>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</div><div>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau.</div><div>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</div><div>d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</div></div> <div>9. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</div> <div>10. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).</div> <div>11. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409).</div> <div>12. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).</div>					
Items 13 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:					
<div>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</div> <div>14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</div> <div>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment.</div> <div>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.</div> <div>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</div> <div>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.</div> <div>19. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certificate of Mailing by Express Mail</div> <div>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:<div>Application Data Sheet (2 pp.)</div></div>					



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21. The following fees are submitted:

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<input type="checkbox"/> Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO	\$970.00
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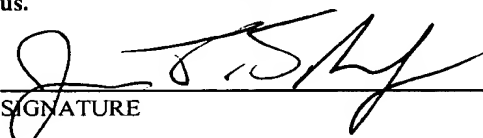
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